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Bushfires: Preparation, resilience and recovery

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Abstract:

The emphasis in this chapter is on bushfires as a representative of hazards/disasters affecting communities/regions due to the total loss category of major bushfire events in the past decade (Blue Mountains 2001; Canberra 2003; lesser known regions in South East Queensland 2002-2005; Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia, Tasmania, 2006/2007). It is also the natural disaster that people fear the most; no-one wants to be burned to death, or perhaps worse still to be scarred for life. The need for more research to be conducted, in the area of preparation for natural disasters in general and bushfires in particular, is emphasised through the chapter.

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Resource Description

Communication: M

resource focus on research or methods on how to communicate or frame issues on climate change; surveys of attitudes, knowledge, beliefs about climate change

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audience to whom the resource is directed

Public

Exposure: M

weather or climate related pathway by which climate change affects health

Extreme Weather Event

Extreme Weather Event: Wildfires

Geographic Feature: M

resource focuses on specific type of geography

Rural

Geographic Location: M

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resource focuses on specific location

Non-United States

Non-United States: Australasia

Health Impact: M

specification of health effect or disease related to climate change exposure

Injury, Mental Health/Stress

Mental Health Effect/Stress: Stress Disorder

mitigation or adaptation strategy is a focus of resource

Adaptation

Population of Concern: A focus of content

Population of Concern: M

populations at particular risk or vulnerability to climate change impacts

Low Socioeconomic Status

Resource Type: M

format or standard characteristic of resource

Review

Resilience: M

capacity of an individual, community, or institution to dynamically and effectively respond or adapt to shifting climate impact circumstances while continuing to function

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Timescale: M

time period studied

Time Scale Unspecified

Vulnerability/Impact Assessment: M

resource focus on process of identifying, quantifying, and prioritizing vulnerabilities in a system

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